

Section 46d, acts June 13, 1945, ch. 189, 59 Stat. 244; July 1, 1946, ch. 530, 60 Stat. 392; Aug. 2, 1946, ch. 753, title I, § 102, 60 Stat. 814; Aug. 1, 1953, ch. 304, title I, 67 Stat. 321; July 2, 1954, ch. 455, title I, 68 Stat. 400; July 31, 1958, Pub. L. 85-570, 72 Stat. 442; July 27, 1965, Pub. L. 89-90, 79 Stat. 268, provided for payment from contingent fund of Senate of long-distance telephone calls for Senators, originating and terminating outside Washington, D.C., and additional payments for calls to or from Washington, D.C. See section 58 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Pub. L. 90-57 provided that the repeal is effective Jan. 1, 1968.

§ 46d-1. Long-distance telephone calls for Vice President

Commencing January 20, 1949, the provisions of existing law relating to long-distance telephone calls for Senators shall be equally applicable to the Vice President of the United States.

(May 24, 1949, ch. 138, title I, 63 Stat. 77.)

§ 46d-2. Repealed. Pub. L. 90-57, July 28, 1967, 81 Stat. 130

Section, Pub. L. 89-90, § 101, July 27, 1965, 79 Stat. 268, provided for computation of long-distance telephone calls for Senators, wide area telephone service contracts, and effective date of changes. See section 58 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Pub. L. 90-57 provided that the repeal is effective Jan. 1, 1968.

§ 46d-3. Repealed. Pub. L. 92-184, ch. IV, Dec. 15, 1971, 85 Stat. 635

Section, Pub. L. 90-21, title I, May 29, 1967, 81 Stat. 38, made contingent fund of Senate available for reimbursement of each Senator of strictly official telephone service charges incurred outside District of Columbia up to \$300 in each fiscal quarter. See section 58 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Pub. L. 92-184 provided that the repeal is effective Jan. 1, 1972.

§ 46d-4. Repealed. Pub. L. 92-607, ch. V, § 506(k)(5), formerly § 506(h)(5), Oct. 31, 1972, 86 Stat. 1508, renumbered § 506(i)(5), Pub. L. 95-391, title I, § 108(a), Sept. 30, 1978, 92 Stat. 773, renumbered § 506(j)(5), Pub. L. 96-304, title I, § 101, July 8, 1980, 94 Stat. 889, renumbered § 506(k)(5), Pub. L. 97-276, § 101(e), Oct. 2, 1982, 96 Stat. 1189

Section, Pub. L. 90-57, July 28, 1967, 81 Stat. 130, authorized payment from contingent fund of Senate of charges for long distance telephone calls by Senators. See section 58 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Section 506(k), formerly § 506(h), of Pub. L. 92-607, renumbered § 506(i) by Pub. L. 95-391, title I, § 108(a), Sept. 30, 1978, 92 Stat. 773, renumbered § 506(j) by Pub. L. 96-304 title I, § 101, July 8, 1980, 94 Stat. 889, and renumbered § 506(k) by Pub. L. 97-276, § 101(e), Oct. 2, 1982, 96 Stat. 1189, provided that the repeal is effective Jan. 1, 1973.

§ 46d-5. Repealed. Pub. L. 92-342, July 10, 1972, 86 Stat. 435

Section, Pub. L. 91-382, Aug. 18, 1970, 84 Stat. 810, related to reimbursement to Senators and President of

Senate of official telephone and telegraph communications charges incurred by them or on their behalf out of contingent fund of Senate up to a maximum of \$150 per annum.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Pub. L. 92-342 provided that the repeal is effective July 1, 1972.

§ 46e. Repealed. Pub. L. 92-607, ch. V, § 506(k)(6), formerly § 506(h)(6), Oct. 31, 1972, 86 Stat. 1508, renumbered § 506(i)(6), Pub. L. 95-391, title I, § 108(a), Sept. 30, 1978, 92 Stat. 773, renumbered § 506(j)(6), Pub. L. 96-304, title I, § 101, July 8, 1980, 94 Stat. 889, renumbered § 506(k)(6), Pub. L. 97-276, § 101(e), Oct. 2, 1982, 96 Stat. 1189

Section, acts July 1, 1946, ch. 530, 60 Stat. 392; Aug. 2, 1946, ch. 753, title I, § 102, 60 Stat. 814, authorized the payment of charges for telegrams by Senators. See section 58 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Section 506(k), formerly § 506(h), of Pub. L. 92-607, renumbered § 506(i) by Pub. L. 95-391, title I, § 108(a), Sept. 30, 1978, 92 Stat. 773, renumbered § 506(j) by Pub. L. 96-304, title I, § 101, July 8, 1980, 94 Stat. 889, and renumbered § 506(k) by Pub. L. 97-276, § 101(e), Oct. 2, 1982, 96 Stat. 1189, provided that the repeal is effective Jan. 1, 1973.

§ 46f. Omitted

CODIFICATION

Section, acts June 23, 1949, ch. 238, § 1, 63 Stat. 264; May 29, 1951, ch. 117, § 1, 65 Stat. 47; Mar. 10, 1953, ch. 6, § 1, 67 Stat. 5; Feb. 27, 1956, ch. 74, § 1, 70 Stat. 31; Sept. 21, 1959, Pub. L. 86-340, § 1, 73 Stat. 605, related to telephone, telegraph, and radiotelegraph allowances for Representatives, Delegates, and Resident Commissioner, and was omitted from the Code as superseded by section 46g of this title.

§ 46f-1. Repealed. Feb. 27, 1956, ch. 74, § 2(b), 70 Stat. 32

Section, act July 2, 1954, ch. 455, title I, 68 Stat. 402, fixed maximum minute allowance on long distance telephone calls of House Members, Delegates, and Resident Commissioner.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Repeal effective as of noon, Jan. 3, 1956, see section 3 of act Feb. 27, 1956, set out as an Effective Date of 1956 Amendment note under section 46g of this title.

§ 46g. Telephone, telegraph, and radiotelegraph allowances for House Members

Until otherwise provided by law, there shall be paid out of the contingent fund of the House of Representatives, in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Committee on House Administration, such amounts as may be necessary to pay—

(1) toll charges on strictly official long-distance telephone calls, and

(2) charges on strictly official telegrams, cablegrams, and radiograms,

made or sent by or on behalf of each Member of the House of Representatives (including the Resident Commissioner from Puerto Rico), other than the Speaker, the majority leader, the minority leader, the majority whip, and the minority whip, aggregating not to exceed seventy

thousand units for each session of the House of Representatives, except that, if a Member or Resident Commissioner is elected for a portion of a term, the aggregate number of units to which he is entitled under this section for each portion of a session served by him which is less than a full session shall be a number which is the same percentage of seventy thousand as the number of days of his service in such session less than a full session is of the total number of days of the full session. Such units (including any units less than one hundred and forty thousand to the credit of a Member or Resident Commissioner at the close of the Eighty-ninth Congress) shall accumulate and be available for use by each such Member and Resident Commissioner, from session to session and from term to term (if sessions and terms are consecutive), until the aggregate number of such units to the credit of each such Member or Resident Commissioner at the close of each session is not more than one hundred and forty thousand units; but all units in excess of one hundred and forty thousand at such time shall be forfeited and unavailable for use by such Member or Resident Commissioner. For the purposes of this section—

(A) one minute of a long-distance telephone call shall be four units,

(B) one word of a telegram, cablegram, or radiogram shall be one unit, except that one word of a night letter shall be one-half unit,

(C) the word “session” means the period beginning at noon on January 3 of each calendar year and ending at noon on January 3 of the immediately following calendar year, and

(D) the word “term” means the period beginning at noon on January 3 of each odd-numbered calendar year and ending at noon on January 3 of the next succeeding odd-number calendar year.

(June 23, 1949, ch. 238, § 2, 63 Stat. 265; May 29, 1951, ch. 117, § 1, 65 Stat. 47; July 8, 1952, ch. 590, § 1, 66 Stat. 443; Mar. 10, 1953, ch. 6, § 1, 67 Stat. 5; Feb. 27, 1956, ch. 74, § 2(a), (c), 70 Stat. 32; Sept. 4, 1957, Pub. L. 85-289, § 1, 71 Stat. 614; Sept. 21, 1959, Pub. L. 86-340, § 2, 73 Stat. 605; Dec. 30, 1963, Pub. L. 88-248, § 103, 77 Stat. 817; Aug. 20, 1964, Pub. L. 88-454, § 103, 78 Stat. 550; Aug. 21, 1965, Pub. L. 89-131, § 1, 79 Stat. 544; Oct. 27, 1966, Pub. L. 89-697, ch. VI, 80 Stat. 1064.)

AMENDMENTS

1966—The number of units authorized was increased to 70,000 for each session from prior authorization of 100,000 for each term, accumulation of units was permitted, and provisions were added to count one word of a night letter as one-half unit and to define “session” by House Resolution No. 901, June 29, 1966, which was enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 89-697.

1965—Pub. L. 89-131 substituted “four units” for “five units” in cl. (1).

1964—Payment of charges for telephone calls, telegrams, cablegrams, and radiograms for an additional ten thousand units during a term was authorized by House Resolution No. 531, Oct. 2, 1963, which was enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 88-454.

1963—Payment of charges for telephone calls, telegrams, cablegrams, and radiograms for an additional ten thousand units during a term was authorized by House Resolution No. 735, July 25, 1962, which was enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 88-244.

1959—Pub. L. 86-340 designated first par. of existing provisions as subsec. (a) and changed six thousand

minute telephone allowance and forty thousand word telegraph allowance for each Congress to an aggregate eighty thousand units telephone and telegraph allowance, added subsec. (b) and designated second par. of existing provisions as subsec. (c).

1957—Pub. L. 85-289 authorized payment for 6,000 minutes of long-distance telephone calls, 40,000 words in official telegrams, cablegrams, and radiograms, and 4,000 words in telegrams, cablegrams, and radiograms sent to or from a point outside the United States, and substituted definition of “term” for definition of “year”.

1956—Act Feb. 27, 1956, authorized payment of 3,000 minutes of long-distance telephone calls made by Members each year, and charges on official telegrams, cablegrams and radiograms aggregating not more than 20,000 words per year, and limited the amount of telegrams, cablegrams and radiograms that may be sent to or from a point outside the United States, or its Territories or possessions.

1953—Act Mar. 10, 1953, removed monthly limitations on official telephone calls and telegrams of Members without affecting annual limitations, and defined “year”.

1952—Act July 8, 1952, allowed Members to use accumulated minutes and words at any subsequent time during the Congress in which they accumulate.

1951—Act May 29, 1951, changed limitation from \$500 per year to 150 minutes per month for telephone calls and 1000 words per month for telegrams.

CHANGE OF NAME

Committee on House Administration of House of Representatives changed to Committee on House Oversight of House of Representatives by House Resolution No. 6, One Hundred Fourth Congress, Jan. 4, 1995.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1965 AMENDMENT

Section 2 of Pub. L. 89-131 provided that: “The amendment made by the first section of this Act [amending this section] shall take effect as of noon, January 3, 1965.”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1959 AMENDMENT

Section 3 of Pub. L. 86-340 provided that: “The amendments made by the first two sections of this Act [amending this section and section 46f of this title] shall take effect as of noon, January 3, 1959.”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1957 AMENDMENT

Section 2 of Pub. L. 85-289 provided that: “The amendment made by the first section of this Act [amending this section] shall take effect as of noon, January 3, 1957.”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1956 AMENDMENT

Section 3 of act Feb. 27, 1956, provided that: “The amendments made by this Act [amending this section and section 46f of this title and repealing section 46f-1 of this title] shall take effect as of noon on January 3, 1956.”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1953 AMENDMENT

Section 2 of act Mar. 10, 1953, provided that: “The amendment made by this Act to such Act of June 23, 1949, as amended [amending this section and section 46f of this title], shall take effect as of noon on January 3, 1953.”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1952 AMENDMENT

Section 2 of act July 8, 1952, provided that: “The amendments made by this Act [amending this section] shall take effect as of July 1, 1951.”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1951 AMENDMENT

Section 4 of act May 29, 1951, provided that: “The amendments made by this Act [amending this section and sections 46f and 46i of this title] shall take effect on July 1, 1951.”

CROSS REFERENCES

Adjustment of allowances by Committee on House Administration, see section 57 of this title.

Member as used in this section includes a Representative in Congress, a Delegate, and the Resident Commissioner from Puerto Rico, see section 46i of this title.

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in sections 25b, 46i of this title.

§ 46g-1. Telephone allowances for House Members for strictly official telephone service

(a) Effective as of April 1, 1971, until otherwise provided by law, the Clerk of the House of Representatives shall reimburse, from the contingent fund of the House—

(1) each Member of the House of Representatives and the Resident Commissioner from Puerto Rico in an amount not more than \$450 quarterly for charges for strictly official telephone service incurred outside the District of Columbia; and

(2) the Delegate from the District of Columbia in an amount not more than \$450 quarterly for charges for strictly official telephone service incurred within the District of Columbia.

(b) Any unused portion of each quarterly allowance provided by this section shall lapse. The Committee on House Administration shall make such rules and regulations as the committee considers necessary to carry out this section. The amounts provided by this section shall be in addition to any other amounts provided by law which may be available for payment of charges described in subsection (a) of this section.

(Pub. L. 92-184, ch. IV, Dec. 15, 1971, 85 Stat. 636.)

CODIFICATION

Section is based on section 1 of House Resolution No. 418, Ninety-second Congress, May 18, 1971, which was enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 92-184.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section, based on House Resolution No. 161, Ninetieth Congress, May 11, 1967, which was enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 90-392, title I, July 9, 1968, 82 Stat. 318, was repealed by section 3 of House Resolution No. 418. The repeal was effective on Dec. 15, 1971, the date of enactment of the provisions of House Resolution No. 418 as permanent law.

CHANGE OF NAME

Committee on House Administration of House of Representatives changed to Committee on House Oversight of House of Representatives by House Resolution No. 6, One Hundred Fourth Congress, Jan. 4, 1995.

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

Certain functions of Clerk of House of Representatives transferred to Director of Non-legislative and Financial Services by section 7 of House Resolution No. 423, One Hundred Second Congress, Apr. 9, 1992. Director of Non-legislative and Financial Services replaced by Chief Administrative Officer of House of Representatives by House Resolution No. 6, One Hundred Fourth Congress, Jan. 4, 1995.

CROSS REFERENCES

Adjustment of allowances by Committee on House Administration, see section 57 of this title.

§ 46h. Repealed. May 29, 1951, ch. 117, § 2, 65 Stat. 47, eff. July 1, 1951

Section, act June 23, 1949, ch. 238, § 3, 63 Stat. 265, related to limitation on charging telegrams to official business of the House. See section 46g of this title.

§ 46i. Definitions

As used in section 46g of this title, the term “Member” or “Member of the House of Representatives” includes a Representative in Congress, a Delegate from a Territory, and the Resident Commissioner from Puerto Rico.

(June 23, 1949, ch. 238, § 6, 63 Stat. 265; May 29, 1951, ch. 117, § 3, 65 Stat. 47.)

AMENDMENTS

1951—Act May 29, 1951, struck out definition of “State”.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1951 AMENDMENT

Amendment by act May 29, 1951, effective July 1, 1951, see section 4 of that act set out as a note under section 46g of this title.

§ 47. Mode of payment

The compensation of Members and Delegates shall be passed as public accounts, and paid out of the public Treasury.

(R.S. § 46.)

CODIFICATION

R.S. § 46 derived from acts Jan. 22, 1818, ch. 5, § 3, 3 Stat. 404, and Feb. 10, 1854, ch. 11, § 1, 10 Stat. 267.

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 25b of this title.

§ 48. Certification of salary and mileage accounts

Salary and mileage accounts of Senators shall be certified by the President of the Senate, and those of Representatives and Delegates by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and such certificates shall be conclusive upon all the departments and officers of the Government.

(R.S. §§ 47, 48; July 28, 1866, ch. 296, § 17, 14 Stat. 323; Jan. 20, 1874, ch. 11, 18 Stat. 4.)

CODIFICATION

R.S. § 47 derived from acts July 28, 1866, ch. 296, § 17, 14 Stat. 323, and Jan. 22, 1818, ch. 5, § 3, 3 Stat. 404.

R.S. § 48 derived from act Sept. 30, 1850, ch. 90, § 1, 9 Stat. 523.

R.S. § 47 constitutes first clause and R.S. § 48 constitutes remainder.

CROSS REFERENCES

Speaker authorized to designate a substitute in his office to sign certificates for salary and accounts, see section 50 of this title.

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in sections 25b, 50 of this title.

§ 49. Certificate of salary during recess

The Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized and directed to sign, during the recess of Congress after the first session and until the first day of the second session, the certificates for the monthly compensation of Members